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REGISTERED NURSE SENTENCED FOR NEGLECT

WASHINGTON - Julia Warren, a registered nurse and former employee of Innovative Concept, a District of Columbia residential provider for persons with intellectual disabilities, has been sentenced for criminal neglect of a vulnerable adult, United States Attorney Ronald C. Machen, Jr. and District of Columbia Inspector General Charles J. Willoughby announced today.

Warren, 63, of the District, was found guilty of criminal neglect of a vulnerable adult and sentenced on July 21, 2010, in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia before the Honorable Harold L. Cushenberry, Jr. The judge sentenced the defendant to 150 days in prison, with all days suspended and 90 days unsupervised probation. Additionally, he ordered Warren not to work with vulnerable adults, and to pay \$50 towards the Victims of Violent Crime Compensation Act fund.

According to testimony at trial, on December 17, 2009, the vulnerable adult victim was scheduled to go to a doctor's appointment and did not want to go. Warren dragged the victim by his ear down several steps to get him from the apartment to the car. The victim was screaming, "ouch" and trying to get away from Warren's grasp.

In announcing the conviction and sentence, U.S. Attorney Machen and Inspector General Willoughby praised the work of Investigators Meghan Strickland and Victor Richardson of the Office of the Inspector General Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU). They also commended the work of Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard DiZinno and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Jacqueline N. Schesnol of the MFCU who jointly prosecuted the case.

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